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Application No.: 09/817,833  
Applicant(s): Kazuhiko YUKAMA (Deceased) and Kazumi YUKAWA  
(Legal Representative)  
For: AN AUTOFOCUS TECHNIQUE FOR A DIGITAL CAMERA  
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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

This Amendment is filed in response to the Office Action dated October 19, 2005, which provides for a response period ending January 19, 2006.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows: